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Electricity Cheaper

The Western Massachusetts Electric Company have announced that on January first a new schedule of rates for electricity will go into effect which will afford savings up to 22 per cent for residential users. For years the company has been dominated by a progressive organization and their revision of rates in the past has always been downward, benefitting the user. The company supplies electricity throughout the county for street lighting, for residential requirements in lighting, running the refrigerator, radio, washing machine and cooking, for industry in providing power in large and small amounts and for many other purposes. In Northfield the homes of most summer residents are cared for on a seasonal basis. The services of the company have proved satisfactory here and when storm and weather have played havoc with the lines, the interruption of service has been reduced to a minimum. The new residential schedule charges one dollar for the first 12 kilowatt hours, five cents each for the next 53 and two and a half cents per kilowatt hour for all usage in excess of 65 per month. The average monthly consumption by residential consumers is about 100 kilowatts. A reduction in rates for power consumption will also be announced effective January first. Stockholders of the Western Massachusetts Companies of record as of December 14 will receive a dividend of 45 cents per share as quarterly distribution according to action taken by the trustees recently. Dividends for 1945 total \$1.65 per share.

Dances Town Hall

Two dances are to be held at the town hall this weekend. The first was held Thursday evening by the young people of the town with music by Shattuck's orchestra. Another dance for the benefit of the High School seniors fund will be held Friday evening at eight o'clock with music by the musical Bargerons. Refreshments will be served.

Tech. Sgt. Robert Huber and Sgt. William Huber have returned to their home from the services. Robert went into the Marine Corps and William was with the army air force. William is married and with his wife and two children resides in Gill.

Harold Briesmaster and Raymond Miller, who have been with the army in the Pacific area, are on their way here but are held up on the Pacific coast owing to lack of transportation.

Salvation Army Appeal

Within a short time, the Salvation Army will make its annual appeal for funds in this town. Most of our citizens will receive a letter through the mail and later a checkup and canvass will be made by authorized Salvation Army workers. Twenty per cent of the funds collected will be retained for local use and as in the past will be expended for worthy purposes in the needs demanded by emergencies. Every local appeal thus far has been met and at the Christmas season the sick and afflicted have not been forgotten. Ross L. Spencer is chairman of the local committee and William F. Hoehn is treasurer.

Crossnore Receives

From "the Crossnore Youngsters" of Crossnore School in North Carolina comes a card of acknowledgement to a summer resident, upon receipt of a large parcel post box containing some most desirable gifts including a large doll. They say "your kind thoughts for us make our Christmas happier and we trust yours more pleasant. We send our best wishes for a very happy Yuletide season." The large box shipped from here by friends by freight is expected to arrive before Christmas.

Town Topics

Miss Ann Greenwood of Wilson school of Boston is at the home of her parents for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Henry F. Cutler is at the Northfield hotel for a time, having closed her home.

Lt. (jg) Wabeke has returned after 17 months in the service in Australia and elsewhere. He is a member of the faculty of Mount Hermon school, and his wife resides here.

The Assessors have posted their legal notice of returns of valuations, real estate and personal.

The Grange held a Christmas party in their hall on Thursday evening.

Miss Ruth McEwan was at the home of her parents over the holidays.

Capt. and Mrs. H. M. Zachman are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Evans have closed their home and gone to St. Petersburg, Fla., for the remainder of the winter. Mrs. Roselle Evans is with friends in Brattleboro.

Writing about the beautiful weather in Florida, Spurgeon Gage, who has a residence here on Winchester Road, says "I'd rather cut oranges in Orlando than shovel snow in Northfield." He has about 30 acres of orange groves.

From Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Harris, formerly residents here and of South Vernon, comes a cheery message stating that they are enjoying the balmy south.

Received The Freight

Just as we go to press, we are informed that the large box shipped by freight to Crossnore school arrived in time for its opening before Christmas. The box was received in good condition and contained the contributions of local friends and summer residents, consisting of clothing for girls and boys as well as for older folks. Acknowledgement was made to Mrs. Hoehn and thanks extended for the kindnesses shown. Best wishes for the Yuletide season were extended by the faculty, and youngsters of the Crossnore school.

A daughter, Carol Margaret, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Waaser of Queens Village, N. Y., on Tuesday, December 11. Granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Cregar of Richmond Hill, N. Y. All are summer residents of Rustic Ridge.

Mrs. Grace C. Cornell of Winchester Road writes that she is enjoying the winter in St. Petersburg with its fine climate. She has had as her guest for a few weeks stay, Miss Steffie Wozniak of this town.

A number of our young people are very enthusiastic over roller skating despite the opportunity of having a "fling" on ice skates. Frequently a party visits the Gables near Deerfield for an evening of pleasure.

Major Ernest Leavitt, who is now teaching at Tufts college, spent the Christmas holiday with his wife and family at the home of Mrs. Allen H. Wright.

Married In Utica

Miss Stella Malinowski, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Malinowski of Utica, N. Y., and Harold W. Randall, were married on Saturday, Dec. 8, at Holy Cross rectory, Utica, by Rev. Father Kronenbeig. They were attended by Miss Alma Malinowski, sister of the bride, and Edwin Malinowski, brother of the bride.

The bridegroom has recently returned from army service in which he served four years and nine months. The couple will reside in Utica. Miss Grace Randall attended her brother's wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Harmon, residents of this town with a home on the Ridge, observed their 50th wedding anniversary at St. Petersburg, Fla., on Christmas day where they are spending the winter. Many friends sent them greetings and extended best wishes for continued good health.

Major William Marshall is home from his post at Jackman, Me., for the Christmas holidays. William Marshall, Jr., and wife of Indian Gap, Pa., are also at the home and George is still here on furlough. So the Marshalls had a real home gathering.

Although the 8th war bond drive has officially closed, the sale of bonds will continue and everyone is urged to keep on with their purchases. The local quota has not been reached but assurances are in prospect that it will be exceeded soon, so keep on buying.

The Editor
of the
Press
Extends the
Season's
Greetings
To All

Season's greetings from the Towner family were received by friends, giving information of every member of the family and included the information that Corp Norman W. Towner is in Munich and is a secretary to General Muller, military Governor of Bavaria. Their residence is in Reno, Nevada.

The annual town meeting is in the offing and will be held Monday, February 4th. Town officials are busy preparing their reports for 1945 which must be ready within a few days after January 1st for the examiners from the State are expected to put in an appearance early. The Republican town committee will meet to present a list of candidates at the election.



Alight — and live, Mrs. G. I.!

It's been a long, hard trip, hasn't it? Moving from one crowded military post to another and just "waiting it out" . . . you've been looking forward a long time to the end of the line.

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Sgt. Harold L. Hammond, son of Mr. and Mrs. Murray Hammond of the Farms, has received his discharge from the army. He entered service in August, 1942, and went overseas in May, 1944, and was engaged in New Guinea, Leyte and Mindanao. He was wounded in Leyte in November, 1944, and received the Purple Heart. He is one of five brothers in the armed forces.

Town Topics

Pvt Richard J. Seyfert of this town has been discharged from the army which he entered in June, 1942. He was sent overseas in March, 1944, and saw service in France, Belgium and Germany.

The next meeting of the Parent-Teacher association will be held at Alexander hall Monday evening, January 14, when the speaker will be Dr. William E. Park.



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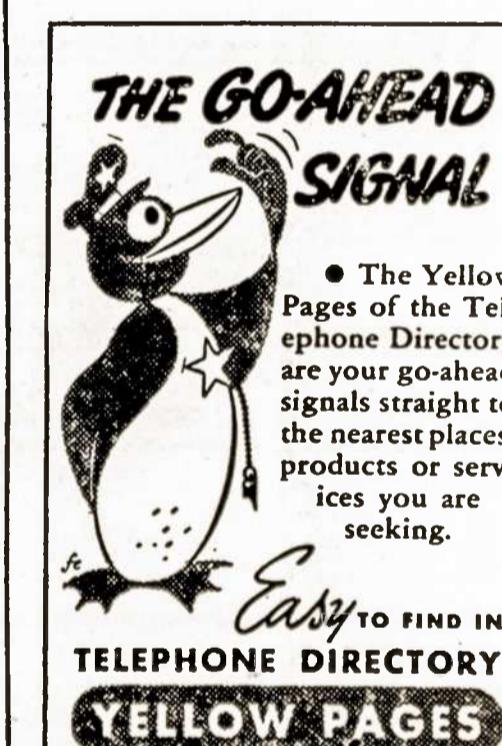
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